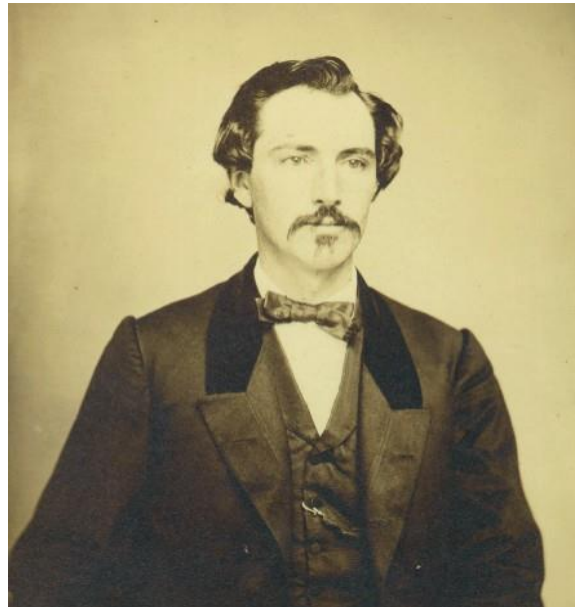


**Guide to the  
Robert B. Arms Collection**



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## **MS-050: Robert B. Arms Collection**

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Inclusive Dates: 1835-1926

Bulk Dates: 1862-1887

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**Provenance** Robert B. Arms Collection was purchased from Charles Apfelbaum.

### **Biography**

Robert Bruce Arms was born in Brattleboro, Vermont on September 21, 1834 to Hinsdale and Theda Arms. He enlisted in the Union Army on August 28, 1862 as Captain, commissioned into Company B 16<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry on October 12, 1862 and was mustered into service eleven days following. Arms and his company spent much of the winter at Fairfax Courthouse and Fairfax Station. They helped repulse Pickett's Charge on July 3, 1863 at the Battle of Gettysburg, and Arms returned there 26 years later with members of his regiment for the dedication of the Vermont monuments. Less than a year after he enlisted, Robert B. Arms was mustered out of service on August 10, 1863 in Brattleboro, Vermont. Following the war, Arms aided veterans in their pension claims, and served several years as Deputy Collector. His obituary reports that he died on March 5, 1901 of Bright's disease, leaving behind his son, Robert A. Arms, a brother, and his second wife.

### **Scope and Content Notes**

The Robert B. Arms collection consists largely of papers regarding quarterly returns, receipts, and letters from the ordnance office; along with muster rolls, descriptive lists and state of Vermont orders. There is a section on the 16<sup>th</sup> Regimental Reunions, as well as documents pertaining to Arms' role as Deputy Collector. There is extensive paperwork regarding George Stannard's account, including testimony made by Arms on the matter of Stannard's bankruptcy. The researcher will find a hefty amount of correspondence between Arms and William A. Scott concerning the sale of property in North Dakota.

Although this is a Civil War collection, it is not a rich Civil War resource. There are a few orders to Arms from his commander Colonel Veazey, as well as detailed letter from Arms to his parents describing the raid on headquarters that resulted in the capture of General Stoughton. The most intriguing item is a letter from Arms to his son written in October 1889 describing his trip to Gettysburg, and the possibility of a misunderstanding of what his Company actually did in the battle. The majority of the collection, however, is the basic paperwork of an officer. The post-war documents demonstrate how Arms served his state after the war, specifically his men in aiding with their pension claims.

### **Box 1**

## Box – Folder

### Inventory

#### 1-1 Personal Correspondence

Letter to Father from Robert, 1 p.

Letter to Father from Robert with letter from Mother on back, 2 pp.

Letter to Parents from Arms regarding cavalry raid & abduction of Brig. Gen. Stroughton, camp near Fairfax Station, VA, dated March 9, 1863, 2 pp.

Letter to Arms from Samuel Williams, Secretary of C & M Affairs regarding appointment as Agent to Recruit, dated July 22, 1864, 1 p.

Letter to Colonel Veazey from G. G. Benidich proposing to raise money to get VT's contribution illustrated in a book, dated March 3, 1866, 2 pp.

Letter to Arms from Veazey, mentioning contribution at Gettysburg, dated March 17, 1866, 2 pp.

Letter to Arms from Veazey, dated August 21, 1866, 2 pp.

Envelope addressed to Arms from Proctor & Veazey, p.d. August 31.

Letter to Arms from Veazey, dated August 30, --66, 1 p.

Letter to Father from Robert, dated June 20, '86, 6 pp.

Envelope addressed to Arms – *ans. November 19, 1866*

Letter from Field & Taylor, Attorneys & Solicitors, Brattleboro regarding divorce dated November 10, 1886, 1 p.

Robert B. Arms to Field & Taylor – Charges for divorce case dated January 24, 1866 – March 4, 1867, 1 p.

Letter to J. A. Arthur from D. A. Nloui (sp) regarding the excessive account of Stannard, dated June 1, 1872, 2 pp.

Envelope addressed to Arms from the Vermont Phoenix, p.d. July 16

Letter to Arms from D. B. Stedman listing Company B boys that were at the Chest. Reunion, dated July 16, 1878, 2 pp.

List of soldiers corresponding with list found in Stedman's letter, 1 p.

Letter to Son, discussing the battle of Gettysburg, dated October 25, '89, 4 pp.

Letter to Son from Arms, mentions trip to Gettysburg, dated November 26/89, 4 pp.

Letter to Son from Arms, dated December 13/89, 3 pp.

Envelope addressed to Mrs. W. G. Larrabee from Jessie L. Arms, p.d. February 28, 1938.

Letter to Mrs. W. G. Larrabee from Jessie L. Arms discussing family connections to the Arms, dated February 27, 1938, 3 pp.

Envelop addressed to Stella Arms from Mrs. C. C. Taylor, p.d. March 1, 1938

Letter to Stella Arms from Nettie Arms Taylor (Mrs. C. C. Taylor) regarding Arms Genealogy, dated February 22, 1938, 2 pp.

#### 1-2 Reunions

Request from William Wells, Adjutant & Inspector General for Arms' "carte-de-viste" & autograph, dated November 21, 1866, 1 p.

Announcement of 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Reunion of Vermont Officers, 1 p.

Announcement of 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Reunion of Vermont Officers, October 22, 1868, 2 pp.  
Envelope addressed to Arms, p.d. June 4, 1878.  
Announcement for Reunion to celebrate the 15<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg  
on July 3, 1878, 1 p.  
2 photocopies of the *Rutland Daily Herald and Globe* dated Monday, July 8, 1878, 4pp.  
“Col. Wheelock G. Veazy’s Address,” pp. 1 & 4  
“Regimental Reunion” – p. unknown  
“Reunion of the Sixteenth Regiment” – letters, p. unknown  
Postcard to Arms from H. O. Peabody, Late Adjutant 16<sup>th</sup> Vermont Vols. Chester, VT  
p.d. July 12, 1878  
Envelope: “First company reunion at Brattleboro Vt, September 27, 1898 Company B,  
16<sup>th</sup> Vermont  
Roster of Company B, 16<sup>th</sup> Vermont Volunteers: Names, Residence, DOD, &  
promotions with handwritten corrections on p. 3 dated March 1892, 4 pp.  
Remarks by Color Sgt. Alfred P. Ranney to Arms at the Company B, 16<sup>th</sup> Regiment  
Vermont Volunteers Annual Reunion, September 26, 1899 w/ presentation of cane, 2 pp.

### 1-3 Commission & Photos

Commission to Captain Robert B. Arms Company B, 16<sup>th</sup> Regiment Vermont Volunteer  
Militia, dated October 12, 1862.  
Small envelope with photos of Arms & a bearded man enclosed  
Photo of man with mustache  
Large photo of Arms in suit & bow tie

### 1-4 Claims, Correspondence Post-War

Postcard to Arms from J. S. Chandler regarding Pierce, dated December 12, 1876.  
Envelope addressed to Arms, *C. H. Pierce ans. Jan 19, 1877*, photo of Arms enclosed.  
Letter to Arms from Charles H. Pierce regarding pension, dated December 31, 1876, 2 pp  
Unfinished letter to Charles H. Pierce from Arms in response to December 31 letter,  
discusses Gettysburg, dated January 19, 1877, 2 pp.  
Envelope addressed to Arms from J. S. Chandler, p.d. February 24.  
Letter to Arms from J. S. Chandler, Claim Agent regarding Charles H. Pierce’s pension,  
dated February 23, 1877, 1 p.  
Unfinished letter to the Commissioner of Pensions, Washington DC in response to  
Charles H. Pierce’s claim, dated April 16/81, pp. 1 & 3.  
Envelope addressed to Arms from Martin & Eddy, lawyers from Brattleboro, VT, p.d.  
March 27, ’86 – *ans. April 1/86*  
Letter to Arms from Martin & Eddy, dated March 27, 1886, 2 pp.  
Letter to Martin & Eddy from Arms, dated April 1/86, 2 pp. (copy)  
Postcard to Arms from C. W. Russill, dated December 10, 1889.  
Letter to Assistant Adjutant & Inspector General, State of Vermont from Arms regarding  
George B. Wheeler, dated December 12, 1889, 1 p. (copy)  
Envelope addressed to Arms, Cavendish, VT, p.d. December 17, 1889.  
Letter to Arms from Geo[rge] B. Wheeler, dated December 16, ’89, 1 p.

Envelope addressed to Arms from Department of Interior, Bureau of Pensions, p.d.

December 8, 1890 – *ans. December 10/90*

Letter from the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Pensions request for information.  
Department of the Interior information card (blank).

#### 1-5 Family

Commission of Hinsdale Arms, 2<sup>nd</sup> Lieutenant of the Brattleboro Lt. Infantry 1<sup>st</sup>  
Regiment, 1<sup>st</sup> Brigade & 1<sup>st</sup> Division, dated April 4, 1835.

Notice of sale, Pew No. 45 in Centre Church to Hinsdale Arms, dated April 6, 1847, 1 p.

Last Will & Testament of Hinsdale Arms, executed July 28, 1866, 4 pp.

Appraisal of Hinsdale Arms' real estate, dated May 16, 1870, 1 p.

Distribution of the Estate of Hinsdale Arms, deceased, dated June 25, 1870, 1 p.

Payment receipt & contract on "Arms property," dated May 12, 1926, 1 p.

Envelope – *Re – Robert Bruce Arms, father of Robert A. Arms, grandfather of Merion H. Arms, gt. grandfather of Arthur, Margaret & Harriet*

#### 1-6 North Dakota Land Papers

Telegram to W. A. Scott from Cha[rles] E. Miner, dated April 10/91, 1 p. (copy)

Land Contract of Arms with John B. Folson & Harry W. Green, dated January 9, 1892.

Letter to Arms from W. A. Scott, dated October 6, 1891, 2 pp.

Letter to Wm. A. Scott from Arms, dated October 12, 1891, 1 p.

Letter to Arms from W. A. Scott, dated October 31, 1891, 1 p.

Letter to W. A. Scott from Arms, dated November 5/91, 1 p.

Letter to Arms from W. A. Scott, dated January 12, 1892, 1 p.

Letter from W. A. Scott to Arms regarding foreclosures, dated January 29, 1892, 1 p.

Sheriff's Deed & foreclosure papers, filed January 26, 1892.

Letter to Arms from W. A. Scott, dated May 27, 1892, 1 p.

Letter to Arms from W. A. Scott, dated December 12, 1892, 1 p.

Letter to Arms from W. A. Scott, dated December 20, 1892, 1 p.

Letter to Wm. A. Scott from Arms, dated October 9/93, 1 p.

Envelope addressed to Arms from W. A. Scott – *By registered letter Oct 20/93 Note & Deed*

Registered Letter Receipt: letter addressed to Scott, dated October 20, 1893.

Letter to W. A. Scott from Arms, dated October 20/93, 1 p.

Letter to W. A. Scott presumably from Arms, dated November 17/93, 1 p. (copy)

Envelope addressed to Arms from W. A. Scott, p.d. November 21, '93 – *Ans. November 28/93*

Letter to Arms from W. A. Scott, dated November 21, 1893, 1 p.

Letter to W. A. Scott from Arms, dated November 28, 1893, 1 p.

Letter to Arms from W. A. Scott, dated January 27, 1894, 1 p.

Envelope addressed to Arms from W. A. Scott, p.d. January 31, '94.

Letter to W. A. Scott from Arms, dated February 13/94, 1 p.

Letter to Arms from W. A. Scott, dated October 14, 1894, 1 p.

Letter to W. A. Scott from Arms referring to the note on January 27/94 "R.B.A. Matter,"

dated December 28/94, 1 p.  
Letter to Arms from W. A. Scott, dated January 16, 1895, 1 p.  
Note from W. A. Scott regarding "R.B.A. Matter," dated January 9/96, 1 p.  
Envelope addressed to Arms from W. A. Scott, p.d. January 25, '96.  
Letter to Arms from W. A. Scott, dated January 25, '96, 1 p.  
Envelope addressed to Arms from W. A. Scott – *And. Letter Jan 9/96 – " Oct 28 "*  
Letter to W. A. Scott from Arms, dated October 28/96, 1 p.  
Envelope addressed to Arms from W. A. Scott, p.d. November 2, '96.  
Letter to Arms from W. A. Scott, dated November 2, 1896, 1 p.  
Envelope addressed to Arms from W. A. Scott p.d. December 7, '96 – *Ans. Dec. 11/96*  
Letter to Arms from W. A. Scott, dated December 7, 1896, 1 p.  
Letter to William A. Scott from Arms, dated December 11/9(6), 1 p.  
Letter to Charles E. Miner from Arms, dated December 11/96 with reply on bottom &  
back, dated 12/13/96, 2 pp.  
Letter to William A. Scott from Arms, dated December 14/96, 1 p.

#### 1-7 Stannard's Papers

Slip of paper stating "Papers relating to G. J. Stannard as Collector of Customs"  
Note: Geo. J. Stannard \$500.~ 17 October 1866 Paid, 1 p.  
Statement of credits & cash withdrawn during the fiscal year ending 30 June 1867, G. J.  
Stannard collection, 2 pp.  
Statement of credits & cash withdrawn during the fiscal year ending 30 June 1868, G. J.  
Stannard collection, 2 pp.  
Statement of credits & cash withdrawn for the fiscal year ending 30 June 1869, G. J.  
Stannard collection, 2 pp.  
Letter to Gen. G. J. Stannard from N. Sangent, Commissioner of Customs, dated  
February 2, 1869, 1 p.  
Monthly statements "Rendered 13 February 1869 for January 1868 to December 1868  
inclusive," 1 p.  
George J. Stannard a/c to 30 June 1870, 9 pp.  
Statement of credits & cash withdrawn during the fiscal year ending 30 June 1870, G. J.  
Stannard collection, 2 pp.  
Statement of Balance to 30 June 1870, 1 p.  
Statement of Balances to 30 June 1871, 1 p.  
Statement of credits and cash withdrawn during the fiscal year ending 30 June 1871, G. J.  
Stannard collection, 2 pp.  
Letter to George J. Stannard from W. T. Haines, dated August 4, 1871, 1 p.  
Letter to George J. Stannard, Collector of Customs from Geo. S. Boutwell, Secretary  
Treasury Department, Washington DC relating to undeposited balance at close of each  
business month, dated November 21, 1871, 1 p. (copy)  
Statement of Balance of Accounts with United States to 30 November 1871, 1 p. (copy)  
Scrap of paper with G. J. Stannard's balances from 1867-1872, 1 p.  
Scrap of paper with yearly amounts, 2 pp.  
Letter to Arms, dated May 6, 1872, 1 p.  
Statement of credits and cash withdrawn during the fiscal year ending 30 June 1872, G. J.

Stannard collection, 2 pp.  
Statement of a/c G. J. Stannard Collector for the fiscal years ending 30 June from 1867-1872, 2 pp.  
Memorandum, a/c information from 30 June 1870-30 April 1872, 1 p.  
Letter to Geo. J. Stannard from W. T. Haines, Commissioner of Customs, dated March 19, 1872, 1 p.  
Result of Examination by H. Lockwood, Chief Clerk Officer Commissioners of Customs, dated February 1, 1873, 1 p.  
Transcript of Arms' testimony on the matter of Geo J. Stannard Bunkrupt, dated 29 May 1873, 8 pp.  
Statement of account for Stannard, 1 p.  
Envelope addressed to Mrs. R. B. Arms from Treasury Department Custom-House, p.d. March 21, 1901.  
Letter to Mrs. Arms from Wm L. Greenley of Custom-House, Collector's Office, 1 p.  
Certificate of Appointment of Arms as Deputy Collector and Inspector, dated 1 March 1869, 1 p.  
Letter to Geo. J. Stannard from W. T. Haines, dated August 4, 1871, 1 p.  
Authorization for Arms as Deputy Collector, dated June 5, 1880, 1 p. (3 copies)  
Authorization for Arms as Deputy Collector, dated May 5, 1884, 1 p.  
Authorization for Arms as Deputy Collector, dated September 1, 1885, 1 p.  
Authorization for Arms as Deputy Collector, dated September 23, 1886, 1 p.  
Authorization for Arms as Deputy Collector of Customs, dated September 2, 1889, 1 p.  
Authorization for Arms as Deputy Collector of Customs, dated February 1, 1890, 1 p.  
Authorization for Arms as Deputy Collector & Cashier, dated September 1, 1893, 1 p.  
Authorization for Arms as Deputy Collector & Inspector, dated October 4, 1897, 1 p.

## **Box 2**

### **Box – Folder**

#### 2-1 Muster Rolls

Muster Roll, handwritten, addressed to Dr. L. E. Samonds, Saxtons River, 1 p.  
Oath of Enlistment, handwritten, 1 p.  
Medical Inspection Report for 16<sup>th</sup> Vermont Volunteers, 1 p.  
Muster Roll of Co B, 16<sup>th</sup> VT V.M., dated October 23, 1862, 2 pp.  
Chronological record of Company B, 16<sup>th</sup> Regiment Vermont Volunteer Militia, 2 pp.  
Muster Roll of Co B, 16<sup>th</sup> VT V.M. from October 23-31, 1862.  
Muster Roll of Co B, 16<sup>th</sup> VT V.M. from October 31-December 31, 1862, 2 copies.  
Muster Roll of Co B, 16<sup>th</sup> VT V.M. from December 31, 1862-February 28, 1863.  
Muster Roll of Co B, 16<sup>th</sup> VT V.M. from February 28, 1863-April 11, 1863, 2 copies.

#### 2-2 Descriptive Lists

Descriptive Roll of Captain Robert B. Arms, Company B, 16<sup>th</sup> Regiment VT V.M., dated September 22, 1862.

Envelope addressed to Arms, p.d. March 26.  
Descriptive List of A. Chandler Baker, Company B, 16<sup>th</sup> Regiment VT V.M., dated March 26, 1863.  
Descriptive List of Ormando E. Norcrof, Company B, 16<sup>th</sup> Regiment VT V.M., rec. April 21, 1863.  
Descriptive List of William C. Tyler, Company B, 16<sup>th</sup> Regiment VT V.M., rec. April 21, 1863.  
Descriptive List of Frederick C. King, Company B, 16<sup>th</sup> Regiment VT V.M., rec. April 21, 1863.  
Descriptive List of Hiram C. Winchester, Company B, 16<sup>th</sup> Regiment VT V.M., rec. April 21, 1863.  
Descriptive List of Austin A. Hill, Company B, 16<sup>th</sup> Regiment VT V.M., dated January 14, 1863.  
Descriptive List of George M. Gilbert, Company B, 16<sup>th</sup> Regiment VT V.M., dated January 24, 1863.  
Descriptive List of James F. Gray, Company B, 16<sup>th</sup> Regiment VT V.M., dated January 26, 1863.  
Descriptive List of Homer F. Buxton, Company B, 16<sup>th</sup> Regiment VT V.M., dated January 26, 1863.  
Descriptive List of Horatio N. Fish, Company B, 16<sup>th</sup> Regiment VT V.M., dated January 26, 1863.

#### 2-3 State of Vermont Orders

Envelope addressed to Arms from Adjutant and Inspector Generals Office, p.d. August 14.  
State of Vermont General Orders No. 13, dated August 13, 1862, 1 p. (2 copies)  
State of Vermont Special Orders No. 31, dated August 27, 1862, 1 p.  
State of Vermont extract of General Orders No. 121 from the War Department, dated September 12, 1862, 1 p.  
State of Vermont General Order No. 23, dated September 20, 1862, 2 pp.  
State of Vermont Special Order No. 60, dated September 22, 1862, 1 p.  
State of Vermont Special Order No. 74, handwritten, dated October 6, 1862, 1 p.  
State of Vermont Special Order No. 76, dated October 9, 1862, 2 pp.

#### 2-4 Orders / General Orders / Special Orders

Medical Inspection Orders to Arms from W. G. Veazey, dated October 20, 1862, 1 p.  
Special Order to Comd'rs of Co's from W. G. Veazey, dated November 3, 1862, 2 pp.  
Orders to Arms from W. G. Veazey, HQ, Camp Vermont, dated November 6, 1862, 1 p.  
Note to Arms from Veazey, 1 p.  
Special Order to Bridgman (Adjnt) from William Rounds approved by W. G. Veazey regarding deduction of pay of privates, HQ, Camp Vermont, dated November 23, 1862. Response from Bridgman under order, 1 p.  
Orders to Arms from R. C. Vaughan, HQ, Camp Vermont, dated December 5, 1862, 1 p.  
Detail to Arms from W. G. Veazey, HQ, Camp Vermont, dated December 8, 1862, 1 p.



Detail orders to Capt Co. B. from Wm. Rounds, Fairfax Court House, 1 p.  
Orders to Capt. Co. "B" from Henry A. Easton, HQ, Fairfax Court House, dated  
December 26, 1862, 1 p.  
Letter to Cap't Co. "B" 16<sup>th</sup> Regiment Volunteers from Maj. W. Austine, Mustering  
Office, dated December 31, 1862, 1 p.  
General Orders No. 7, Fairfax Court House, dated January 8, 1863, 2 pp.  
Detail orders for Edward R. Willard & Alanzo T. Stover, Fairfax Court House, dated  
January 17, 1863, 1 p.  
General Orders No. 4, Post-Catletts Station, VA, dated May 30, 1863, 1 p.  
Special Orders No. 25, Union Mills, dated June 6, 1863, 1 p.  
General Orders No. 6, Union Mills, dated June 5, 1863, 2 pp.  
Envelope addressed to Arms, writings on back.  
Correspondence to Arms from Col. W. G. Veazey, Astor House, dated July 20/63, 3 pp.  
Special Order by W. G. Veazey for Co. "B" 16<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Report of Board Survey in  
relation to Camp and Garrison Equipage ("original & since altered"), dated July  
27, 1863, 2 pp.  
Special Order by W. G. Veazey for Co. B 16<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Report of Board of Survey in  
relation to Ordnance and Ordnance Stores, Voucher No. 1, dated July 27, 1863, 3  
pp. (2 copies)  
Special Order by W. G. Veazey for Co. B 16<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Report of Board of Survey in  
relation to Camp and Garrison Equipage, Voucher No. 2, dated July 27, 1863, 3  
pp. (2 copies)  
Special Order by W. G. Veazey for Co. B 16<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Report of Board of Survey in  
relation to Camp and Garrison Equipage, Voucher No. 2 (*this report has been  
altered – to be retained*), dated July 27, 1863, 3 pp.  
Special Order by W. G. Veazey for Co. B 16<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Report of Board of Survey in  
relation to Camp and Garrison Equipage, dated July 27, 1863, 2 pp.  
General Orders No. 47, Brattleboro, VT, dated August 3, 1863, 2 pp.  
Note to Arms from Henry, dated April 22, 1864, 1 p.

## 2-5 Ordnance & Equipage

Note from Arms clearing Wm Rice of being issued clothing, dated March 6, 1863  
(crossed out); Issues on March 2 & 23 and May 20, 2 pp.  
Ex Issue Equipments, dated June 14, 1863, 1 p.  
Abstract of Expenditures, 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter, 1863, 1 p.  
Clothing and Equipment Receipts to November 23, 1862.  
Inventory of Clothing, Guns, Equipments &c. to January 9, 1863, papers 1,2 & 3, 3 pp.  
Ordnance return quarter ending November 15, 1862, 2 pp. (copy)  
Return of Ordnance & Ordnance Stores, Received, Issued, & Remaining on Hand,  
Quarter Ending December 31, 1862.  
    Small note of expenditures & losses  
    Circular from Ordnance Office dated December 1, 1862  
Quarterly Return of Ordnance & Ordnance Stores Received, Issued & Remaining on  
Hand, 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter ending March 31, 1863  
(folded inside): Abstract of Expenditures – First Quarter 1863

Voucher No. 1 (camp near Fairfax Court House, VA),  
dated January 9, 1863, duplicate & triplicate  
Voucher No. 2 (Fairfax Station, VA) items received  
February 7, 19 & 20, 1863, duplicate & triplicate  
Voucher No. 3 (Fairfax Station, VA) Quartermaster  
Receipt, dated March 3, 1863, duplicate & triplicate  
Voucher No. 4 (Fairfax Station, VA) Quartermaster  
Receipt, dated March 23, 1863, duplicate &  
triplicate

Quarterly Return of Ordnance & Ordnance Stores, Received, Issued, & Remaining on  
Hand, 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter ending June 30, 1863, dated August 8, 1863.

Quarterly Return of Ordnance & Ordnance Stores Received, Issued & Remaining on  
Hand, 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter ending August 10, 1863.

Receipt from Quartermaster Gen. Davis for sword, sash, &c., dated 1862, 1 p.

Quartermaster Receipt, dated November 10, 1862. (triplicate)

Quartermaster Receipt, dated December 22, 1862.

Quartermaster Receipt, dated December 22, 1862. (duplicate)

Springfield Guns, rec. February 16, 1863, 2 pp.

List of Rifles, dated February 22, 1863, 2 pp.

Invoice of Quartermaster Stores, dated April 11, 1863, 1 p.

Quartermaster Receipt, dated April 13, 1863, 1 p. (duplicate & triplicate)

Receipt for Store Retd to Lieut. Henry, Reg. Quartermaster, dated April 13,  
1863, 1 p.

Voucher No. 4 Quartermasters receipt, dated April 13, 1863, 1 p.

Quartermaster Receipts for tents, dated April 13, 1863, 2 pp. (duplicate & triplicate)

Voucher No. 5, dated April 13, 1863, 1 p.

Bill for John Davis, paid May 5, 1863, 1 p.

D. Weatherhead, Bill "saw" \$1.00 paid May 5, 1863, 1 p.

Receipt from Quartermaster, dated June 25, 1863, 1 p. (duplicate & triplicate)

List of Quartermaster's Stores &c. received by Capt. Arms, dated July 27, 1863, 1 p.

Invoice of Quartermaster's Stores &c. to Capt. Arms during July 1863, 1 p.

Voucher No. 2 received of Arms, dated August 8, 1863, 1 p.

Quarterly Returns, Clothing & Equipment &c. to January 1, 1863, 1 p.

List of Guns & Equipments &c. Returned by the company, dated January 9, 1863, 1 p.

Quarterly Return Clothing & Equipage to March 31, 1863, 1 p.

Note stating Shelter Tents Returned to Quartermaster, dated June 25, 1863, 1 p.

Voucher No. 4, dated June 25, 1863, 1 p.

Camp & Garrison Equipage, Return Ending June 30, 1863, 1 p.

Equipage turned over to Capt. Clark, dated July 26, 1863 (pinned together; scraps).

Memorandum of Ordnance & Camp Equipage to March 31, 1863, 1 p.

Price List, dated December 9, 1862, Per General Order No. 2, 1 p.

Draft of letter from Arms regarding destroyed equipment, dated March 1867, 4 pp.

Envelope addressed to Capt. R. B. Arms from Ordnance Department, S. B. Dyer

Circular No. 10, Ordnance Office, dated March 16, 1863, 1 p.

Circular No. 13, Ordnance Office, dated March 18, 1863, 1 p.

Notice to Arms from Ordnance Office Washington DC in "relation to forwarding Qs

Returns of Ordnances &c," dated August 3, 1863, 1 p.  
Notice to Arms from the Ordnance Office Washington DC regarding 1, 2 & 3d quarters, dated August 20, 1863, 1 p.  
Notice to Arms from the Ordnance Office Washington DC regarding 4<sup>th</sup> quarter, dated August 20, 1863, 1 p.  
Letter to Arms from Quartermaster General's Office, dated December 12, 1863, 2 pp.  
General Orders No. 71, Quartermaster General's Office, dated November 29, 1865, 1 p.  
Envelope addressed to Arms from Quartermaster General's Office, p.d. March 30 – *Final Affidavit transmitted to Q.M. Genl April 3, 1867.*  
Letter to Arms from Quartermaster General's Office, dated March 29, 1867, 1 p.  
Envelope addressed to Arms from Quartermaster General's Office, p.d. April 13.  
Letter to Arms from Quartermaster General's Office, Clothing & Equipage Division, dated April 12, 1867, 1 p.  
Letter to Arms from Ordnance Office, dated May 2, 1867, 1 p.  
Letter to Arms from Ordnance Office, dated May 17, 1864, 1 p.  
Letter to Arms from Second Auditor, dated January 9, 1864, 1 p. (copy)  
Form A 15 from Treasury Department, Second Auditor French to Arms, dated January 19, 1867, 1 p.  
Letter to Arms from Treasury Department, E. B. French, dated April 8, 1867, 1 p.  
Envelope addressed to Arms from E. B. French, Auditor p.d. April 16  
Letter to Arms from Second Auditor, dated April 16, 1867, 1 p.  
Letter to French, Second Auditor, from Arms, dated April 19, 1864, 1 p. (copy)  
Envelope addressed to Arms from E. B. French, Auditor, p.d. April 23  
Letter to Arms from E. B. French, Auditor, dated April 23, 1867, 1 p.  
Certificate of non-indebtedness for R. B. Arms, dated May 24, 1867, 1 p.

## 2-6 Clothing

Notice to Arms from E. B. French, Second Auditor from the Treasury Department, dated January 9, 1864, 1 p.  
Letter to Arms from Quartermaster Generals' Office, Washington City, DC, No. 2, regarding "Returns," dated April 29, 1864, 1 p.  
Original Memorandum of Issue of Clothing & Equipments to Co. B 16<sup>th</sup> Regiment VT V.M., 1862, 2 pp.  
Receipts for Issue of Clothing & Equipments from November 23 – December 5, 1862, No 2., 1 p.  
List of Effects of Sergeant W. C. Burnham – died January 31, 1863 in Hospital at Fairfax Court House, VA – Effects forwarded with body to his home at Putney, VT by Express, February 3, 1863, 1 p.  
Hollis H. Burnett, Clothing &c., dated February 10, 1863, 1 p.  
Invoices Quartermaster's Returns camp & garrison equipage ending August 10, 1863, 1 p  
Camp & Garrison Equipage Report ending August 10, 1863, 1 p.  
Receipts for Clothing & Equipment of men left at Brigade Hospital, Brattleboro, VT, No. 4, dated October 22, 1862, 1 p.  
Quartermaster receipt, dated November 10, 1862, 1 p.  
Clothing Receipts to January 7, 1863, No. 5, 1 p.

Clothing Receipt of H. H. Burnett, No. 3, dated January 3, 1863, 1 p. (copy)  
Quartermaster's Receipts, dated March 9, 1863, 1 p. (duplicate & triplicate)  
Gov't Property Returned by the Company, dated July 23, 1863, 3 pp.

## 2-7 Soldiers' Pay / Discharge Notices

Payment record for Co. B soldiers by Henry Nash, dated October 22, 2 pp.  
Receipt for Bounty of \$50 paid by the town of Brattleboro, VT, dated October 23, 1862,  
2 pp.  
Receipt for Payment of work done by Co. B at Brattleboro, VT, dated November 1862, 3  
pp.  
Receipt for Clothing & Equipments that were transferred with the men to Co. H 16<sup>th</sup>  
Regiment VT Vols., dated November 3, 1862, 1 p.  
Notice of men paid off at Hospital, February 28, 1863 and April 30, 1863, 1 p.  
Inventory of Property of Prisoners, rec'd from Fairfax Court House, March 9, 1863, 1 p.  
Certificate on Pay Roll for Bounty, dated August 10, 1863, 1 p.  
Copy of Power of Attorney to draw Extra Pay from the State of Vermont of \$7.00 per  
month, 1 p.  
Circular from Ezra B. French regarding "Instructions in Preparing Claims for Soldiers'  
Pay," 2 pp.  
Envelope addressed to Arms from Treasury Department, Second Auditor's Office, p.d.  
October 6, 1863.  
Letter to Arms from E. B. French regarding the death of George A. Jacobs, dated October  
6, 1863, 1 p.  
Circular regarding "Forms for Preparing Claims for Soldiers' Pay," 2 pp. (4 copies)  
Memorandum & Receipts for cash forwarded by Robert B. Arms by Express to  
Brattleboro, VT for the amount of \$1618.00, dated February 3, 1863, 1 p.  
Memorandum of cash forwarded from Fairfax Station, VA by R. B. Arms by Express,  
February 1863, 1 p.  
Receipt from Adams Express Company for Robert B. Arms to Willis Bennis, \$1618.00,  
dated February 3, 1863, 1 p.  
Receipt from Adams Express Company, marked Cromwell Burnham, Putney, Vermont,  
dated February 3, 1863, 1 p.  
Memorandum of received cash from Willis Bennis, Express Agent, forwarded from  
Robert B. Arms, Fairfax Station, VA, February 3, 1863, 1 p.  
Request by Arms for leave of absence regarding death of W. C. Burnham, dated February  
3, 1863, 1 p.  
Discharge Notice of H. H. Holland, March 18, 1863, dated April 2, 1863, 1 p.  
Discharge Notice of Albert Howard, April 28, 1863, dated April 29, 1863, 1 p.  
Discharge Notice of Harrison A. Cole, May 13, 1863, dated May 14, 1863, 1 p.  
Cash by draft to S. M. Wait, Brattleboro, VT, dated June 17, 1863, 5 pp.  
Envelope addressed to the Commdg. Officer Co. "B" 16<sup>th</sup> Vermt. Vols., *Notice of the  
death of SSgt. Walter W. Ranney, July 31, 1863*, p.d August 1.  
Inventory of the effects of Sergeant Walter W. Ranney, dated July 31, 1863, 2 pp.  
Envelope addressed to Arms, p.d. August 1.  
Letter to Arms from L. C. Ranney regarding death of Walter, dated August 1, 1863, 1 p.

Note from Selectmen of Guilford certifying the sickness (absence) of Sanford A. Smith, drummer boy, dated August 8, 1863, 1 p.

Note from Selectmen of Guilford certifying the sickness of Samuel S. Huret, dated August 9, 1863, 1 p.

List of Signers for balance of State pay, dated August 10, 1863, 1 p.

Letter to Arms from William Whitney requesting pay be given to his brother, dated August 11, 1 p.

Subscription of money for the purchase of a watch for Surgeon Park, dated August 12, 1863, 2 pp.

## 2-8 Miscellaneous Items

Guarantee slip for Mustang Grips, water damaged, 2 pp.

Booklet containing names of soldiers, gun & coat disbursements, receipts, price lists, etc.

Application for furlough for J. M. Joy, dated May 26, 1863, 1 p.

Envelope addressed to Arms from Executive Department, St. Albans, VT, p.d. July 23, 1864.

Memo of "Fines: Penalties & Forfeitures," to Henry Dunlap, Secretary's Office, Treasury Department Washington DC, dated July 20, 1867-July 14, 1868, 1 p.

Envelope addressed to Arms from E.B. French, Second Auditor's Office, p.d. January 22, *Affidavit & Papers forwarded by mail 30. March 1867.*

Envelope addressed to Arms from Arms & Worswick Twelve Dollar Sewing Machines, p.d. November 26, '67, *Ans 6 Dec 1867.*

Envelope addressed to Arms, p.d. June 21, '86, *Ans June 30/86.*

Envelope addressed to Arms from Department of Interior, Pension Office, p.d. April 11, 1881, *CH Pierce.*

## **Box 3**

### Artifacts

Two shoulder bars

Pocket watch

Colt cap box

Empty box of Colt bullets

Stitched bugle with "16" design

Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) medal and ribbon

2 GAR pins

Button

4 bullets